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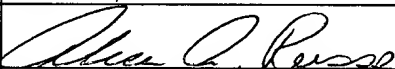
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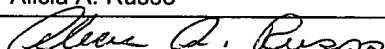
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 CYTOPLASMIC AND/OR NUCLEAR TRANSPORT OF PROTEINS,
 DNA, AND VIRUSES

AMENDMENT

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This paper is in response to the Office Action dated November 1, 2002 (paper no. 15) for the above-identified application. Applicants request a three month extension of time for responding to the Office Action, up through and including May 1, 2003, and enclose a check in

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 payment of the fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2). Please consider the following remarks.

REMARKS

In the Office Action dated November 1, 2002, the Examiner has indicated that

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 while the claims were previously subject to restriction, a second restriction of the elected pending claims is now proper. The Examiner has restricted each individual peptide sequence into a single individual group.

Applicants respectfully traverse for at least two reasons. First, the Examiner has stated in paragraph 4 of the Office Action dated May 3, 2002 (paper no. 13) that the species

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